August 04, 2006 EOP Mini-Messages

ATTENTION: ALL PROVIDERS

THE RELEASE OF DIRECT DEPOSITS AND CHECKS FOR THIS EOP DEPENDS ON THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS. PLEASE VERIFY DIRECT DEPOSIT STATUSWITH YOUR BANK. GO TO WWW.MEDICAID.STATE.AL.US TO VIEW THE PAYMENT DELAY UPDATE DETAILS. PAYMENT ALERTS WILL BE POSTED ONLY IF THERE WILL BE A PAYMENT DELAY.

ATTENTION: ALL PROVIDERS (216)

EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, HCPCS CODES FOR INJECTABLE DRUGS ORENCIA AND KINERET WILL REQUIRE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION AS BIOLOGICALS THROUGH HEALTH INFORMATION DESIGNS (HID) PRIOR TO TREATMENT. THESE DRUGS CURRENTLY REQUIRE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION WHEN DISPENSED THROUGH A RETAIL PHARMACY. THE SAME PA CRITERIA AND FORMS USED FOR RETAIL PHARMACY DISPENSED DRUGS WILL BE REQUIRED FROM PROVIDERS BILLING HCPCS CODES FOR ORENCIA AND KINERET. HID MAY BE CONTACTED AT 1–800–748–0130. MORE DETAILS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE SEPTEMBER 2006 PROVIDER INSIDER.

ATTENTION: ALL DME PROVIDERS (202)

EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2006, THE HOME BLOOD GLUCOSE MONITOR WILL NO LONGER REQUIRE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION AND REIMBURSEMENT WILL BE LIMITED TO ONE PER RECIPIENT EVERY 5 YEARS.

ATTENTION: PROVIDER ELECTRONIC SOLUTIONS SOFTWARE USERS (202)

SOFTWARE VERSION 2.06, UPGRADE AND FULL INSTALL, IS NOW AVAILABLE AND CAN BE DOWNLOADED FROM THE MEDICAID WEBSITE. TO DOWNLOAD THE SOFTWARE, GO TO:

HTTPS://ALMEDICALPROGRAM.ALABAMA-MEDICAID.COM/SECURE/LOGO N.DO. CLICK ON 'WEB HELP,' SCROLL DOWN TO THE

SOFTWARE DOWNLOAD SECTION, AND DOWNLOAD THE SOFTWARE. IF YOU CURRENTLY HAVE ANY VERSION OF THE SOFTWARE PRIOR TO 2.05 INSTALLED, YOU MUST UPGRADE TO 2.05 BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO UPGRADE TO 2.06. FOR FURTHER ASSISTANCE, OR TO REQUEST THE SOFTWARE ON CD, CONTACT THE EMC HELP DESK AT 1–800–456–1242.
